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FOR: METHOD OF PATTERNING A METAL LAYER IN A
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 3, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 5, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes Amendments to the Claims and Remarks.

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I							
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA		RATE	FEE		
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))					\$		
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	minus 20 =			X \$	=		
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	minus 3 =			X \$	=		
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+	\$		
				TOTAL			
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Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	30	Minus	30	X \$	9		
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	4	Minus	4	X \$	44		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+	\$	150	
				TOTAL	ADD'L FEE		
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AMENDMENT	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	0	Minus	0	X \$	18		
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	0	Minus	0	X \$	88		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+	\$	300	
				TOTAL	ADD'L FEE		
(Column 1)		(Column 2)		(Column 3)		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
AMENDMENT	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	0	Minus	0	X \$	18		
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	0	Minus	0	X \$	88		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+	\$	300	
				TOTAL	ADD'L FEE		

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